STATUS OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A process for reconciling actual data with estimated data within a

workflow process for a project ordered by a buyer and performed by a seller, the method

comprising:

> obtaining the estimated data from any source relating to the project;
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> receiving the actual data from the seller via a communication network;
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> comparing the actual data to the estimated data to determine any discrepancy

between the actual data and the estimated data; and

> notifying the buyer of [[the]] any discrepancy, wherein upon notice of the any

discrepancy the buyer can account for [[the]] any discrepancy.

2. (Currently Amended) A process for reconciling as described in claim 1, wherein the

actual data comprises an actual cost, in whole or in part, of [[goods/services]] goods or

services, and goods and services provided by the seller in performance of the project.

3. (Currently Amended) A process for reconciling as described in claim 1, wherein the

actual data comprises an actual accounting, in whole or in part, of [[goods/services]] goods

or services, and goods and services provided by the seller in performance of the project.

4. (Currently Amended) A process for reconciling as described in claim 1, wherein the

actual data comprises at least one measurement of at least one [[technical specification]]

parameter defining at least on aspect of the project.

5-14. (Canceled).

15. (Currently Amended) A process for reconciling as described in claim 1, wherein the workflow process generates at least one request for at least one [[good/service]] good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service to be provided by the seller to the buyer for the project, wherein the project is defined in terms of at least one parameter, and wherein the system converts the at least one parameter into the at least one request, and wherein the system communicates the at least one request to the seller.

16-21. (Canceled).

22. (Currently Amended) A workflow system for reconciling actual data compiled for a project by a seller with estimated data for the project, the project ordered by a buyer and performed by the seller, the workflow system comprising:

        a first interface for interacting with at least one buyer;

        a second interface for interacting with at least one seller;

        a memory for storing the estimated data and the actual data, wherein the actual data is received from the seller [[field device]] database via the second interface; and

a processor controlling the memory, the first interface and the second interface, wherein the processor compares the actual data to the estimated data to determine any discrepancy between the actual data and the estimated data, and wherein the processor notifies the buyer via the first interface of the any discrepancy.

23. (Currently Amended) A workflow system for reconciling as described in claim, 22, wherein the actual data comprises an actual cost , in whole or in part, of [[goods/services]] goods or services, and goods and services provided by the seller in performance of the project.

24. (Currently Amended) A workflow system for reconciling as described in claim 22, wherein the actual data comprises an actual quantity, in whole or in part, of [[goods/services]] goods or services, and goods and services provided by the seller in performance of the project.

25. (Currently Amended) A workflow system for reconciling as described in claim 22, wherein the actual data comprises at least one measurement of at least one [[technical specification]] parameter defining at least one aspect of the project.

26-33. (Canceled).

34. (Currently Amended) A workflow system for reconciling as described in claim 22, wherein the workflow system further comprises a system for implementing a process to generate at least one request for at least one [[good/service]] good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service to be provided by the seller to the buyer for the project, wherein the project is defined in terms of at least one parameter, and wherein the system converts the at least one parameter into the at least one request, and wherein the system communicates the at least one request to the seller.

35-50. (Canceled).

51. (Currently Amended) A process in a workflow system for comparing [[a]] at least one first response to at least one second response, the at least one first response and at least one second responses responsive to at least one request by a buyer for at least one [[good/service]] good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service for a project, the

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process comprising:

receiving the <u>at least one</u> first response at the workflow system via a communication network;

receiving the at least one second response at the workflow system via the communication network;

comparing the <u>at least one</u> first response to the at least one second response; and

presenting the comparison to the buyer through an interface with a buyer system via the communication network.

52-53. (Canceled)

54. (Previously Amended) A process in a workflow system for comparing as described in claim, 51, wherein the first response is provided by a first seller through an interface with a first seller system via the communication network, and the at least one second response is provided by at least one second seller through an interface with at least one second seller system via the communication network.

55-63. (Canceled).

64. (Currently Amended) A workflow system for comparing [[a]] <u>an at least one</u> first response to at least one second response, the <u>at least one</u> first <u>response</u> and at least one second responses responsive to at least one request by a buyer for at least one [[good/service]] <u>good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service</u> for a project, the workflow system comprising:

a buyer interface;

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[[at least one]] a seller interface for receiving the at least one first response and the at least one second response from [[at least one]] a seller;

a memory for storing the at least one first response and the at least one second response; and

a processor connected to [[the]] a buyer interface, [[the at least one]] a seller interface, and the memory,

wherein the processor compares the at least one first response to the at least one second response, and wherein the processor presents the comparison to the buyer via the buyer interface.

65. (Previously Amended) A workflow system for comparing as described in claim 64, wherein the first response is provided by a first seller through a first incidence of the at least one seller interface, and the at least one second response is provided by at least one second seller through a second incidence of the at least one seller interface.

66-87. (Canceled).

88. (Currently Amended) A process for enhancing a workflow system by providing supportive information for a project, wherein a buyer provides at least one request for at least one [[good/service]] good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service for the project, and a seller provides at least one response to the at least one request, the process comprising:

providing a request template in a buyer interface, wherein the buyer develops the at least one request;

inserting an information source link into the request template;

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notifying the seller that the request template is available for access and review in a seller interface;

responding to a selection of the information source link by the seller by displaying the supportive information in the seller interface.

89. (Currently Amended) A process for enhancing a workflow system by providing supportive information for a project, wherein a buyer provides at least one request for at least one [[good/service]] good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service for the project, and a seller provides at least one response to the at least one request, the process comprising:

providing a response template in a seller interface, wherein the seller develops the at least one response to the at least one request;

inserting an information source link into the response template;

notifying the buyer that the response template is available for access and review in a buyer interface;

responding to a selection of the information source link by the buyer by displaying the supportive information in the buyer interface.

90-95. (Canceled).

96. (Currently Amended) A process for enhancing a workflow system as described in claim, 88 or 89, wherein the workflow system comprises a system for implementing a process to generate at least one request for the at least one [[good/service]] good or at least one service, and at least one good and at least one service to be provided by the seller to the buyer for the project, wherein the project is defined in terms of at least one

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parameter, and wherein the system converts the at least one parameter into the at least one request, and wherein the system communicates the at least one request to the seller.

97-99. (Canceled).

100. (Previously Amended) A process for enhancing a workflow system as described in claim, 88 or 89, wherein the supportive information is selected from the group consisting of: industry information, buyer standards, seller standards, industry standards, buyer historical data, seller historical data, industry historical data, technical information, product information, and service information, or combinations thereof.

101. (Previously Amended) A process for enhancing a workflow system as described in claim, 88, wherein the buyer inserts the information source link into the request template.

102. (Previously Amended) A process for enhancing a workflow system as described in claim, 89, wherein the seller inserts the information source link into the response template.

103-130. (Canceled).